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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b>  <i>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</i>	Attorney Docket No.	5692-002
	First Inventor	DONG, et al
	Title	Solid Cage Fuel Cell Stack
	Express Mail Label No.	EL 380 607 237 US

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106 320	206 160	Design filing fee	
107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee	
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<b>39</b>	-20** = <b>19</b>	X <b>9</b>	= <b>171</b>
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20	
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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105 130	205 65		Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127 50	227 25		Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139 130	139 130		Non-English specification	
147 2,520	147 2,520		For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination	
112 920*	112 920*		Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113 1,840*	113 1,840*		Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115 110	215 55		Extension for reply within first month	
116 390	216 195		Extension for reply within second month	
117 890	217 445		Extension for reply within third month	
118 1,390	218 695		Extension for reply within fourth month	
128 1,890	228 945		Extension for reply within fifth month	
119 310	219 155		Notice of Appeal	
120 310	220 155		Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121 270	221 135		Request for oral hearing	
138 1,510	138 1,510		Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140 110	240 55		Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141 1,240	241 620		Petition to revive - unintentional	
142 1,240	242 620		Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143 440	243 220		Design issue fee	
144 600	244 300		Plant issue fee	
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126 180	126 180		Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
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149 710	249 355		For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179 710	279 355		Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169 900	169 900		Request for expedited examination of a design application	
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First Named Inventor **DONG, et al**Title **SOLID CAGE FUEL CELL STACK**Atty Docket Number **5692-002**

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